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DIARY NOTES

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- 1. Had a meeting with Messrs. and Garrison at which time we straightened out a number of things, viz.:
- a. It was agreed as a matter of principle that in the implementation of NSC Directive No. 5412 we would set up a planning board, chaired by the Chief of 25X1A9a Logistics or his Deputy, which would work very closely with General and the other DD/P elements; that the Logistics Office, on behalf of the DD/A, would assume the responsibility for special planning, feasibility tests, etc.; that when an operational plan, with appropriate administrative annex, was prepared the DD/P and the DD/A would present it to the Director for his approval; and that the approved plan would form the basis for long range planning, budgeting, procurement, stockpiling, etc. In my opinion this is a tremendous step in the right direction.
- b. With reference to the proposed Regulation on "Baggage" it was agreed that it would be published as written, i.e., to provide that "baggage" must leave the United States within thirty days after the traveler completed his travel.
- c. In connection with motor vehicles, it was agreed that the Logistics Office would not approve of requests for additional motor vehicles for overseas stations except in those cases where the requests were accompanied by certifications from the area divisions and had the approval of the COA/DDP as to the operational necessity for such vehicles.
- d. It was agreed that the Regulation pertaining to the furnishing of quarters overseas, the limitation on shipment of household effects and storage of those effects not shipped at Government expense should be amended without delay so as to take out the mandatory clauses. Offhand, it appears to me that this is probably a good policy in stations where cover is provided but that it is completely out of order
 - e. We discussed the Radio Free Europe Project and I asked Jim 25X1C40 to get in touch with the IO Division and undertake without delay an exploration to determine whether we could obtain the two 500 kilowatt surplus transmitters from the General Services Administration and get them transferred to RFE within the bounds of proper security.

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- f. Jim told me that the company with which the was asking negotiating for the construction of the for an exhorbitant fee. I told him, with concurrence, that any fee we paid would have to be reasonable and stand up under investigation or scrutiny

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of any kind and that if he felt that this was not the case the contract should not be let and the funds allowed to lapse. Later in the day telephoned to say that a settlement had been made on a 1-1/2 per cent basis, which is perfectly satisfactory; the company had asked for 9 per cent.

g. With reference to the development of tables of vehicular equipment (TVE) it was agreed that these tables should be developed for all stations and that final approval should be given by the DD/A. After such tables have been developed it should be possible, and it is my desire, to delegate certain authorities to the field in connection with the procurement and disposition of motor vehicles.

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2. Discussed with the ceiling difficulties confronting the EE Division. In the light of General recent visit it does not appear that the can reduce substantially and Ted probably is not going to be able to give back the temporary ceiling increase of 56 positions which he was authorized some months ago and which was to be absorbed by 1 July. Ted proposed that he trade ceilings. I told him that I could 25X1C4a not concur in this suggestion but that if he had a bona fide problem confronting the EE Division, which I thought he had, he should submit his request for a proper increase in ceiling (which will be about 40) and I would attempt to obtain General Cabell's approval.

3. With respect to processing project tables of organization, Ted said that there had been a complete misunderstanding between General Cabell, him, and me which can be summarized somewhat as follows:

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The paper which has received, and which is meaningless insofar as justifications are concerned, has no security implications in itself. However, there are security implications in giving any further justifications and if further justifications are demanded the Deputy Director (Plans) would want to avail himself of the privilege provided in Regulations which allows him to go directly to the Director. I told Ted that of course the DD/P had a perfect right to do this and that I had no objection whatever to his doing it. Ted said that the DD/P preferred not to take these things to the Director and was perfectly willing to explain them to me, preferably orally, but that he was unwilling that such justifications be given to the Management Staff. I agreed that if he felt this way he could bring these changes to me with the justifications and that I would act on them in the same way that I would any others. In any case, however, I said that I would want the Management Staff to have a piece of paper showing the cryptonym of the project and the number of people involved in the T/O change so that they could follow the over-all manpower situation. Ted indicated that there was no objection to this whatever.

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Later in the day I explained this to who said that he had a conference scheduled with Ted on Thursday at which time he would like to discuss the matter. I encouraged him to do this. (On Thursday, 24 June, Ted telephoned to say that had canceled his appointment with him and had discussed the tentative arrangement with who approved one hundred per cent.)

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25X1A6a	3. Kirk buzzed me and said that he was looking at an audit report of the Station dated 30/1953 and did not feel that the auditor had gone into the facts as thoroughly as he should have. I asked him to address a memorandum to
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25X1A6a	told him I would like him to look back over all audit reports of the state of the tion so that he would be prepared to answer Kirk's memorandum without delay.

- li. I discussed with Ed Saunders the possibility of assigning a Finance man

 25X1A2d1 to Projects We agreed that such an arrangement would be desirable if it could be arranged. I told him to go ahead and work in this direction.
- 25X1A2d1 5. I gave Ed the paper on Project and told him that whatever money was needed for it for 1954 should be taken out of money on hand but that we should make a request to the Bureau of the Budget to draw from our Contingency Reserve for the first six months of 1955.
 - 6. Attended a Project Review Committee Meeting at which time I saw a movie (two hours and twenty minutes long) which the Office of Training had made in conjunction with the Department of the lir Force. It was a very good job which we got done for only \$12,000, even though the project was originally approved for \$273,000. The Project Review Committee recommended approval of an additional \$100,000 to finance additional training films.

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